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Subject: Microsoft Antitrust Comment - GET THE MONEY BACK!!!

Microsoft stole money. Billions!

When someone steals money, you put them in jail and take back the money.

Microsoft illegally profited by exploiting its monopoly position. They stole money! Maybe you can't put Microsoft in jail, but you should at least try to recoup the stolen money and reimburse the victims. Reimburse the consumers who were forced to buy Microsoft's inferior products and were overcharged in the process. Reimburse the shareholders of Microsoft's competitors who were drummed out of business or otherwise devastated by Microsofts illegal tactics - Software Publishing Corp., for example.

Your proposed "settlement" might, at the very best, compel Microsoft to steal a little less for a while. More likely, they will continue to pillage at a record pace knowing that maybe, just maybe after another six years and hundred billion dollars you might, once again, politely ask them to stop. But then, they'll still get to keep the money.

I'm sure other would be antitrust bandits are quaking in their boots.

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